

MONTPELIER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Deerfield Community Center

September 11, 2012

Trustees in Attendance: Bob Derrick, Lillian Fazio, Tim Jacobs, Jack Keating, Richard Mason, and Jean Sorrentino.

Trustees Absent with Cause: Paul Buehler, Patricia Douville and David Eisenberg

Community Members Present: M. Boddie, L. Boesze, M. Derrick, T. and C. Smith, J. Tilghman, and M. Hughes

President B. Derrick called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. There was a quorum to conduct business.

Secretary's Report: Tricia Douville (absent)

- The minutes of the August 2012 board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Keating made a motion to accept the minutes. Trustee Mason seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Lillian Fazio

- Trustee Fazio distributed the monthly statements. \$19,096 was placed in the reserve account.
- Collection of delinquent accounts with our attorney has recovered \$13,000 since 2008. Trustee Fazio reported that she was a witness in court this week and the judge ordered the defendants to make full restitution.
- Trustee Fazio is meeting with the accountant this week and will get the costs for compilations, reviews and audits.

ACCC: Michael Boddie, Chairperson

- Mr. Boddie received a complaint concerning a commercial van parked in the street. The ACCC cannot regulate parking in the streets, only in driveways. The Security Committee researched the applicable County rules for street parking. County parking regulations were posted on the List Serv and published in the newsletter and on the website.
- A reminder to neighbors that leaves are not to be put into the street will be posted in the next newsletter.
- Trustee Mason asked that the ACCC take over monitoring the vacant/abandoned houses. Mr. Boddie said OK.

Communications Committee: Tim Jacobs, Chairperson

- Junk mail has been cleared out of the ListServe account.
- Trustee Jacobs needs to give the treasurer a bill to have the domain name renewed (\$30) before the end of the year. He also has a receipt which he needs to give to the treasurer for reimbursement.
- Trustee Mason asked why he does not always see his own messages to the yahoo group when they go out on the list serv. He also has a design for the cover of the next newsletter to encourage more participation on the list serv. Trustee Derrick will discuss Newsletter Covers with the Administrative Assistant.

Facilities Committee: Jack Keating, Chairperson

- Trustee Keating reported that a Montpelier resident has permission to use the soccer field Wednesday evenings for practice.

Pool Committee: Paul Buehler, Chairperson (absent)

- No report. Trustee Derrick expects information on ADA options, rules for sponsored swim team members, and suggestions for pool management for next year. It was mentioned that there were no complaints at the pool this year.

Social Committee: Carla Bowen, Chairperson (absent)

The Labor Day Luau was well attended and even bigger than the July 4th party. Over 280 hamburgers and 200 hotdogs were served.

Security Committee: Richard Mason, Chairperson

- The Board was told that the Executive Committee approved donating \$300 to PFC Adrian Morris Memorial Fund, PG County Police officer killed in line of duty.
- Trustee Mason distributed his report and said that there were no crimes in Montpelier for the month.
- County parking regulations were posted on the List Serv and published in the newsletter and on the website.
- The Executive Board approved a donation of \$300 (Benevolent Fund) to the Officer Morris Family Fund. Officer Morris was the young police officer from District VI who died in a car crash.

- Trustee Mason will attend the County Advisory Board which meets monthly. He asked if there were any volunteers for the Citizen's Police Academy which is a 12 week program (meets on Monday nights) which teaches what a police officer does.
- Trustee Mason reminded the community to be wary of scams and to call the police if a solicitor refuses to leave after being told that there is no soliciting in Montpelier or for violations of the County noise ordinance.

Tennis Committee: Lillian Fazio, Chairperson

- Trustee Fazio is still trying to get the date for fixing the tennis court cracks. She also reported that a sign came down and it will be put back up.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Trustee Keating has two bids for repairing the parking lot and the lowest bid is \$114,000. He will get a third bid.
- Trustee Derrick reported that P. Collman was reviewing his files on the gypsy moth and he will check the archives for files also to determine if the fund can be used for other purposes.
- The purchase of some new items of playground equipment is on hold for the new board.

NEW BUSINESS

- Annual Meeting is Sunday, September 23 at 2:00 pm. Trustee Derrick will present a slide show of the past year's accomplishments. Trustee Fazio and Trustee Mason will speak also. The guest list will be finalized and guests will be reminded that they have five minutes if they wish to speak.
- Trustees Fazio asked that the guard shack repointing be done. Trustee Keating has been trying to get additional bids.
- C. Smith reported on mosquito problems in the Eastgate Lane area. She contacted Ms. Lehman's office and the Maryland Department of Agriculture for help. A representative of the DOA is scheduled to survey Ms. Smith's property and that of nine neighbors to give suggestions on what they can do. Several members said that the neighborhood used to be sprayed for mosquitos. Trustee Derrick encouraged them to keep the board informed on their findings and define the best action for the community and we could publish recommendations for reducing mosquito habitats in the Newsletter.
- L. Boesze reported that speeding on Montpelier Drive is terrible. Cars pass in the center lane and the shoulder and speed through at 50 mph. He suggested that the board look into getting police in unmarked cars. Trustee Derrick discussed speed mitigating choke points and traffic circles. A Traffic Committee needs to be formed to find out how to get support and funding for projects such as this. Trustee Derrick asked those present to talk to their neighbors and see if they can find a person willing to lead a Traffic Committee.
- Trustee Mason suggested that a Welcoming Committee be created. He believes that he has someone to chair the committee. A proposed budget and a description of their activity should be presented to the board.

The next board meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 7:00 PM** at Deerfield Recreation Center, preschool room. The motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 8:35 pm. The motion passed unanimously.